Prayikara river falling in and requested that groynes might be constructed to prevent it.

A boat basin was also required at Arattukadavu for the convenience of the boats plying between the place and Alleppey, Quilon, etc.,

Passengers on the Tiruvalla-Mavelikara road suffered much inconvenience for want of bridges on the road. It should be attended to.

The two roads from the Eastern and Western sides of the Mavelikara temple southwards should be gravelled.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

161. Needs of the Changanacherry taluk.

Mr. Punnoose Kuriyan (Member, Changanacherry taluk) represented the following needs:—

1. The opening of a Lower Grade English School for the western *pakuthies* of the Changanacherry taluk. The nearest English school was the St. Berchman's High School which was five miles away. Permission for the opening of a Lower Grade English School was applied for by the Member in Karkadagom 1093 and granted by the Government. What he now wanted was that the school should be constructed by Government. If that was not possible, he requested that at least the timber required for putting up a building might be allowed to be cut and removed from Government forests free of cost or from registered holdings free of royalty.

2. The Kuttapuzha *thodu* was useful for irrigating about 40,000 *paras* of *punja* lands, besides connecting the hilly portions of the taluk with the Changanacherry town. A part of it had already been cut. He requested that the opening of the remaining portion might be expedited.

3. In the interests of *punja* cultivation it was necessary that the powers vested in the Tahsildar under section 23 of the Irrigation Regulation should be transferred to an officer of the Agricultural Department who should also be entrusted with the general supervision of all matters connected with *punja* cultivation.

4. The Changanacherry taluk comprised two distinct parts with different physical features, *viz.*, the hilly eastern portion and the low-lying western half. It was necessary that each half should have a separate Member to represent its needs at the Assembly.

Lastly, the Member thanked the Government for opening a Munsiff's Court in the taluk.

Dewan's reply.—The taluk has already 3 Members, one T. I. C. Member, one taluk Member and one Member for the trading classes. There are several taluks which have only one Member each. The other points are noted.

162. Needs of the Chengannur taluk.

Mr. Kochukora Ittiavira (Member, Chengannur taluk) said that the inhabitants of the eastern *pakuthies* of the Chengannur taluk were put to much inconvenience for want of a Munsiff's Court and hospital there. The distance from Ranni to Chengannur was thirty miles and to Kanjirapalli twenty miles, so that people who had to attend those courts had to travel a long distance. Similarly, the nearest hospital was at Kozhencherry, twenty miles away. Diseases like malaria and cholera were working terrible havoc among the population. The Member, therefore, prayed that a Munsiff's Court might be established at Pattanamthitta, that a hospital might be opened at Ranni and that a road might be cut from Ranni to Kozhencherry.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

163. Emergent needs of the Kunnatnad taluk.

Mr. K. Narayana Pillai (Member, Kunnatnad taluk) said that one of the foremost needs of the taluk was the construction of a building for locating the Munsiff's Court at Perumbavur, which was at present held in the Satrom. The Satrom

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